PLIFACE

Whim John F. Kennedy was assassination like most other Americans I spent as much time as I could before the TV tube. TV was broadcasting around te clock, with feequent repetitions and replays. Unlike most Americans I was a former report, investigative reported, Senate incestigator and editor and wartine intelligence analyst and toubleshooter in the Office of Strategic Serbices. And, unlike reporters I had no dealines to meet in that exceptionally sensational and emotional story. So, I had time to think; and I was troubled by the fact that the Dallas, Texas police were all over TC airing their interpretations of the alleged evidence and the alleged lone guilt of the accused Lee Harvey swald. Under our law and controlling court decision, what the police were doing, virtually converting every street corner encounter with the media as a press conference, was very, very wrong.

Two days after that most subversive of crimes, at about 7 a.m. the morning of Sunday, November 24, 1963, when I saw and heard another network ecapatitualation of the evidence the police said established Oswald's guilt, I turned to my wife, who was washing our breakfast dishes, and said, "This poor son-of-c-bitch is going to be killed."

"Why do you say that?" she asked.

I told her because public authority was making it impossible for Oswald to be trieddand from that flowed the natural suspicion that public authority wanted to avpid a trial. It would not have been possible to use the evidence said to establish "swald's guilt and it would not be possible to find a jury that had not been tainted by exposure to it and was not, in effect, witness to the crime, I told her. Inherent in my spot analysis was an inflerence that there might have been a government conspiracy to have the President assassinated.

While I was then not aware of it, years later - learned in Department of Justice and FBI records that almost as soon as Jack Ruby killed Oswald the man then

running the Department of Justice, Nicholas DeB. Katzenbach, acting attorney "eneral with the late Robert ennedy in mourning and actually the Deputy Attorney General, draftedwrote out on a lawyer's legal pad an incredibly shocking memorandum to the new President, Lyndon ohnson, channelled through Bill Moyers, LBJ's assistant, a memorandum that is to me as shocking as any I've ever read, and I've read hundreds of thousands of pages of once-secret official documents I obtained through the Freedom of Information Act, one interpretation of which supports suspicions of a government conspiracy. Katzenbach's memorandum does spell out a different kind of conspiracy, to withhold and to reach a preconcieved, non-conspiracy solution to that most terrible of crimes. I shall return to this.

Several hours later, again glued to the tube, I was as shocked as anyone can be when I saw my prediction effulfilled live and on camera, when Ruby shot Oswald with all those police and reporters sround and with no effort made to stop him.

I was immediately toubled by the failure of any of the media to raise questions about the impropriety and consequences of misuse of all that alleged information. Then, when days passed and the media were not asking the questions I saw and not pursuing the leads that were apparent in independent inquiries, and I was in the news room If the Washington Post, I raised these questions with a number of reporters and an editor. The reporter who spent most time listening to me was Tom Wolfe. he typed up these questions while we sat and talked but he did nothing about them and before long was finding his destiny in New York with clockwork oranges.

When I was in New York a friend, the late Sydney Kaufman, who'd spent a gratifying and successful lifetime in movies and was well-connected, introduced me to the ten publisher, Ivan Obolensky. Ivan was then publishing Ladislav Farago'sbestselling Patton, sees a postagellegg I wanted to obtinue investigating so I asked Ivan to get a coauthor. He suggested Larry Brown. I'd smown Barry slightly because he had worked for a Senate committee several of those with whom I'd worked and my wife had worked.

I knew also that arry had been a reporter for the respected New YorkHerald-Tribune, so I agreed immediately. When we were getting close to the time the manuscript was due, mid-February 1964, and Larry had no copy to show me. he and I met at the hine restaurant on Washington and decided t agree that I would will suspend my inquiries and write half of the book for him, and we agreed on a genra genral outline. Two weeks later, with my half draft and no word from arry, I drove up to so stunned Philadelphia to see what he'd written. It left me immediately was a stunned driving home to mid-Maryland I kept driving straight and soon found that I had driven through the Baltimore harbor tunnel and qwas going wouth to Washington, D.W.

Instead of the fac ual analysis of the "eport of the Warren Commission Larry was writing an indictment of the American Civil Liberties Union, theorizing that it was involved with Oswald in the assassination. Larry presumed Oswald's guilt.

The next morning I phoned Ivan's vice president, ohn edes, told him of the chat I regarded as the disaster Larry was writing so far behind schedule, and promised to meet the deadline.

In two weeks I had written my hald of the book and in the next ten days, working almost around the clock, I wrote the half that Largy supposedly was writing.

Not ,ong later I learned that Lawry's politics were those of the Bill Buckley right wixtx and that they were associates.

I'd sent what I'd written to Obolensky and as I completed the other chaoter I sent them up. Then I drove up myself and then learned that the whole operation was of Larry's politics. The editor assigned was a woman who was more interested in preparing fo for a friend's wedding and her next greatest ijterest was angling the text to the right.

One night I drove Joh Ledes to the post office. While we were driving he told me "we have a gold-lated best seller" because without the book or anything to show almost 40 salesman had advance sales for about a 35mm000 first print, in those days quite good. Ledes told me that he had to go to Washington the next day and that

we'd talk after he returned.

We did, and while he was drolling into the till he told me they were not going to publish this best-seller. He had spoken to conservatives in Washington and that was the basis of their decision.

As I'd never gotten the "advabce," so also "never got the manuscript back. I had to reconstruct it. I eent to New York with it and with Sydney Kaufman away spoke to a friend of Senate committee days. "e spent me to see a friend og his at Prederick Praeger's, Nort puner, director of special projects, zas I recall his feconstructed title. He read the boom ov manuscript overnight and forecast a fine future for it, subject to Praeger's personal approval.

Praeger did not approve, claiming that they published only established scholars. Years later I learned that Praeger was a CIA publisher.

When Isdney was back in "ew York he sent me to see his friend was was a vice president of Pocket Books, controlled by Voris Shimkin. In the vice president's absence I was ushered in to the office of Eugene Prakapis. He had to go to Boston, would take te manuscript with him, and on his return he would phone me. But the subject interested him, he read the manuscript t at night and the next morning, after I'd started home, phoned the Kaufmans. It happened that just before I was to enter the Ho; land tunnel I also phoned. Andrea gave me Prakapis' message, to phone him immediately, and when "did he was thoroughly excited." "To Weisber," he 4xulted," with this manuscript, your background and out public relations and advertising expertise, we have another Green Felt xingle Jungle" and we'll make you a famous man."

I was to return a week later, and I did. Crestfallen but completely honest,

Prakapis told me tehy'd not dare publish it because, having only recently published

a fraudulent diet book, "it would be like a red flag before the charging bull" of the

DhPARTHENT OF Justice. Legitimately, it was feared that Shimkin might be included in

those who who indicted // thied/php/a and later tried and convicted in federal

district court. However, he said, they liked the book, regarded it as an important

book, and would like to help me. I was only to happy to accept that offer. me then

ephained to me that he passed judgement on hardbook reprint rights and that he would like to speak to Dpubleday about publishing my book. He told me ha them man he'd phone was Sam Vaughn who, he said, was Richard Dwight Eisenhower's and Richard Wixon's editor. I heard him ask Vaughn to read the book himself.

Within a short time Doubleday wrote me that if I'd gone farthur afield, which seemed to mean conjectured and because indtead of factual, they might have been tempted. Later, by phone, "was told that "Manageralesia in more example and was "not editorial and not easy to arrive at."

Well, both major publishers were honest and while a writer hopes for more, he has no legitimate complaint about honesty.

(Pocket Books was also consistent. Two years later, as distributor for Parallax bu Books, a small publisher, it refused to distribute my Oswald In New Orleans.)

By the end of 1964 Whitewash: the Report On the Warren Report, was rejected without a single adverse editorial comment by some 60 puvlishers in the United States and a number abroad. With some apparent hankeypanky in Europe. (Au.)

Through the Baroness Maura Budberg Sindney Haufman introduced the book to a major British publisher. I got word that they favored the book and then I was told that after having it read by the Warden of all Souls. (John Sparrow, they had rejected it. Later Sparrow denied this as well as what I'd been told, that he'd been a longtime recruiter for British intelligence, which, naturally, had a close relationship with the CIA. After the barones, reputedly the brains of a great British moviemaker, sidney got Gordon "arbord, a fine gentleman, to represent the book. Sidney also took a copy to a friend he had with the prominent German publisher, Fisher A.G.

MERINALIZED KONX Harbord arranged for publication by the finance personally spectacular Italian publisher, Giangiaccomo Feltrinelli and have was about to sign a contract with Sir Leslie Frewin, himself a former spook, when, as Frewin wrote me, he was informed that Mark Lane's book was about to be published in England where the market, in his opinion, would not support two books. That information fed to Frewin was

false. Lane's book was not published in England until after United States publication and that was not until toward the end of 9 1966, months after Whitewash was published and distributed.

Years later Fisher wrate informed me that they had twice written me about their desire to publish Whitewash and when some time passed and they had no response had mailed to copy of the manuscript back to me. Neither of the letters nor the manuscript ever reachedme. That wa when, according to the testimony and report of the Senate Intelligence Committee, the FBI was intercepting foreign mail for the CIA.

Akso during this period, as I wrote chapters of Whitewash II I mailed them to Harbord, but first-class airmail. None of these chapters reached him. When I learned that I sent the rest by f air freight, whihe reached him promptly. After a two months lapse he telegraphed me that all the earlier chapters reached him at the same time.

The nost provocative suggestion of CIA interference with my publishing was not apparent until after the beginning of the Watergate scandal in 1972. In checking out the the former CIA man E. Howard "unt another probability became apparent.

In 1965 the editor of the old, the original Saturday Evening Post wanted to except Whitewash. He said he wanted to deal with me through an agent, which I did not have because six had refused to have anything to do with the subject matter. He sent me to Max Wilkinson, of Littauer and Wilkinson. Wilkinson read the manuscript and phoned me that he'd be happy to represent it. Then, about six weeks later he wrote me that serial use was impossible and that there was no publishing probability in the United States. But he'd be happy to represent the book in England, where I did have an agent. The impossible serial use, which he did not observe when he read the manuscript, was false. The men's magazine Saga came to me for the use of a chapter and for it offered and paid more than they had paid Ernest memmingway.

In checking Hunt's CIA career out in standard published sources one of the things not unusual in the spookeries became apparent he had addresses other than the thing of the control of th

Jarve wanted to cut him off but I insisted on facing him. "t turned out that he was too young to know what he was talking about and had no apparent way of knowing either thentruth or his improvements upon the truth to make it conform to his and the agencies' preferences. By the time he copped out it had been rather exciting to me and to the audience.

able to che ck out the relationship, if any, there was a CIA foundation, the Littauer foundation.) The CIA did not approve my books and the inference that through Hunt it worked on Wilkinson to prevent publication, earlier apparent at Praeger's, is unavoidable.

The FBT also engaged in its own interferences, those agencies having a concept of the first amendment not in the minds of the foundaing fathers or taught in schools three and universities. Of these I cite only two. When Whitewash first began to attract attention in New York City after I brought out the first printed edition in early may of 1966, I was invited to appear on the Alan Burke Show in the largest independent TV station in the country, then known as WNEW-TV, Channel 5. According to its own records, the FBI undertook to prepare four New York lawyers to confront me on that show. When it was aired, those FBI-fronting lawyers knowing only what it had made avaioable to them, did not do very well in confrontation, except for making the book an overnight best deller.

INTERIOR The FBI was again unintendedly very helpful that December when I was in San "rancisco promoting Whitewash II. One of what it calls its symbol informants — this means a paid informer whose actual identify is hiddne by means of a symbol — tried to be redbait me on the Harve Morgan show then on the CBS—owned KCBS radio. The result was a sellout of all those books in that area the next day and an overflow audience when I spoke the next night at the "all of the Flowers in Golden Gate Park.

The finks were not as effective as the spooks in the agencies' dirtyworks.

A month earlier the LBJ White House had asked the FBI about me and other writers and our books. "one of us learned fibout this for another decade when, the Freedom of Infor ation Act having been amended over official corruption in one of my earlier lawsuits under that Act, the FBI disclosed what it had respondents told the White House. Among its fabrications and libels of my wife and me is that we annually celebrated the Russian Revolution with an outing for 35 dirangers at our home. Even for the FBI I have come to know that was a remarkably innovated way of referring to an annual gathering of Washington area Jewish military personnel and their

families not at the time of the Russian revolution but after the Jewish high holidays. Snd it was arranged and conducted by the Jewish Welfare Board, not the USSR, by the c cantor JacksFrankel, not the Russian ambassador. What Jack brought these families out for, expecially the kids, was what we were doing that the University of Maryland later adpoted under its title of Old McDonald's Farm. He hatched under its title of Old McDonald's Farm. He hatched duckling and goslings Those city from out own eggs. Thus kids gathere d the eggs, saw other eggs hatch, handled and played with the just htached fowl, played with and rode on our tame far aminals and had the kind of fine time not often available under modern farming conditions and even in rural areas.

Not infrequently the FBI was as dirty but it was never more imaginative or effective.

an entirely incomplete and
Thes is a bobtailed condensation of untoward experiences foreign to a free
society and improper for any agency of government if not also illegal. I could write
a book about the others. I mention these me rely to indicate the unofficial interest
in books critical of the official "solution" of the JFK assassination, and that
gets back to the first few words above, the suggestion of government involvement in
what happened in Dalls as soon as JFK was shot, all that information (and misinformation)
that surfaced much too fast about Lee Harvey Oswald and his strange and unusual past.

He was actually called a red before he was charged with any crime.

However, I neither then nor since believed or said that there had been an official conspiracy to kill JFK. In fact I refused the one opportunity I had for major-house publication in this country over that. W.W.Norton had been siti siti sitting on jtts decision for some time. Then on______ it wrote me that (get actual beginning at line four of page 138 words and quote diretly) if I would reorganize the book around what I said on page 4
138, line 6, it would be an exceptionally important book and they would be happy to publish it. There I had had said that the Commission had and avoided "irrefutable proof" of a conspiracy and of Oswald Fart in it. In the context of the entire book I

interpreted Norton's desire to mean that I would be charging our government with conspiring ti assassinate its head.

The preceeding chapter is titled "The Oswalds' Government Relations." Among the things I set forth in it is that Oswald's actual record in his own secret writings is the exact opposite of the official representation of him as a red. He was and he spoke which in public as a virulent anti-Communist. On page 122 I had written:

Ossald's hatred of the Communist Party and the Soviet Union exude from 150 consecutive pages of his nites in the same (Commission) Volume(16), as well as from other exhibits (16H283-434). For Ex example, in Exhibit 97, tpp. 422-3) he raged, 'THe Communist Farty of the United States betrayed the itself! It has truened itself into the traditional lever of a foreign power to overthrow the government of the United States, not in the name of freedom or high ideals, but in servile conformity to the wishes of the Soviet Union . . . Thex Southets (the leaders) have shown t themselves to be the willing gullible messengers of the Kremlin's UInternational propaganda... The Soviets have committed crimesunsurpassed. . . improdioned their own peoples. . . mass extermination . . . individual suppression and regimentation . . .fdp deportations . . . the murder of histroy, the prostitution of art and cultrure. The communist movement in the U.S., personified by the Communist arty, U.S.A., has truened itself into a / ' valuable gold coin' of the Kremlin." Mezalsezeretez He also wrote and , there quote his having decalred that "I hate the U.S.S.R and the Socialist system. He said he had "many personal reasons to know and therefore to hate and mistrust Communism." This is Oswald the red, the man to whom the Russians were "fat, stinking politichans" and the United States Communist arty was the ebtrayer of the working class; the man, as I also then wrote, who had a career in New Orleans that is so consistent only with what in intelligence is called "establish9 ing a cover."

But despite the official misrepresentation of Oswald as a pro-Soviet red and despite the lure of fame and fortune, I was not about to charge the government with conspiring to assassinate the President for fame and fortune, without evidence.

Such evidence did not and could not exist because the government never investigated the crime itself. and never intended to. All the official investigations were designed to make it appear that the instant preconception of Oswald as the lone b nit assassin was credible. The Katzenback memorandum to the White House referred to above is explicit in stating - before investigation was even pss possible - that! "1 The public must be satisfied that Ossald was the assassin; that he did not have confederates who are still at large; the and that the evidence was such that he would have been convicted at trial."

When the Congress was about to investigate the assassination the FBT prepared an outline summary of what it might have to face. That outline is severely critical of the FBI's record and practises and uses some of its own embarrassing language. It dared this because it never expected the record to see the light of day. At one point, in referring to the assistant director in charge of the General Investigative reason, it records [Alex)Rosen characterizatioj of FBI's 'standing around with pockets open waiting for for evidence to drop in.'"

It states that J. Edgar "cover had an "adversary relationship" with the
Warren Commission to which he was supposed to provide faitfhul and accurate investigative services. It next refers to "Hoover blocking Warren's choice for general
counsel," the tradiyional right of the chairman of committees and commissions.

Instead of not opposing the Commission the FB this FBI record refers to its
"Preparation of dossiers on staff and members," expanding this latter, in its own
rmphasis, to "Preparation of dossiers on WC staff after the (Commission's) Report
was out. With regard to those of us who disagreed with the eport and wrote
books and spoke, the FBI itself n records its "subse quent preparation of sex dossiers
oj critics of probe." (My owb opinjon is that at least some were unexceptional and
unintercettings) to those of prurient mind and interest.)

Even before Katsenbach's memo "oover himself had told the "hite House that "Oswald alone did it" and "must convince the public Oswald is the real assassin."

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all of this and ever so much more like it before any investigation was made or even possible! It is the government's self-ort portrait of its fabled agencies in that time of great crisis and since then. It justifies charging the government mention the combining to suppresss the truth; to hide the existing existent proof that there had been a conspiracy; with deliberate lying to the nation and the world; even to violating law and decency and morality to harm the writers who were exposing it.

Nothing new in this. My first four books say as much in having the general title My
Whitewash. My seconf book charges an FBI and Secret Service "coverup." Oswald in "ew"
Orleans, says in its sybtitle that it makes a case for conspiracy. But not to kill JFK.

I was and I remained very interested in Oswald, in the early days limited to what I remembered of what had by then been officially discloved. From the first I was aware and immediately suggested that he had official relationship of some kind. and that as the late con most conservative Member of the Warren Commissim, Senator Richard B. Russell, told me in encouraging me to continue investigation the Commission and its works,"I am satisfied that they have not told us all they know about Oswald." He was referring to the federal investigative and intelligence agencies. Russell was quite aware of the allegations that Oswald had served a federal agency. The Commission had held meetings in such secrecy on this that it did not permit access to the meetings or even the stenographic transcripts od them to its staff. What turned Sena or Russell on is my taking him undeniable proof that he had been deceived and the record he make for history had been memory-holed by those associates he had trusted. Russell tough there was a court reporter present, as there supposedly was at all such session, and that even if in secret the records of his doubts would exist. There was no court reporter and the existing record was phonied up to make it appear to be a transcript that does not exist because it was never made.

This happened earlier, remarkably enough when on one of the occas ons the dommission met in secret, with all transcripts that were made classified Top Secret (when the Commission had not authority to classify anything), to consider reports

tjat Oswald served a federal master. What is known to exist I got by FOIA litigation and I have published seve al of these transcripts in facsimile. The difference between what the respected Commissioners said in expected "top secret" permanent protection from publication and what it said in public could not be greater.

The most excitinv and provocative leads I got on the real Uswald was the night before the FBI's symbol informer in San Francisco tried to redbait me into a publishing failute with my second book. As the following pages show in grater detail, hhe man who asked forexemplificative that I not seek to identify him so he could not be retaliated against told me that the Oswald I was describing from official records was not the man he knew so well when they were both Farines. He did tell me and I was later able to confirm that Oswald was in the government's trust when he was a Marine as no official record even suggests. And I've gotten about a third of a million pages under FOIA thag had been withheld earlier.

There was and there was withheld and kept secret an abundance of information in these files that bearxsaxwhatherxaxxmat do indicate that Oswald was some kind of agent and there was suspicion of this of which the Commission, the FBI and the CIA at the very least were aware before the Commission had gotten into what for lack of a better descriptions is referred to as its "investigation."

In the following o ges we shall see what the rweactions —in secret—was the officiall accused Presidential assassin. We assess to the presidential belief that Oswald had served a federal agency, to the suppressed admission of horror over the fact that there had been a conspirscy and the determination to "wipe" that out. And we shal, see what happened and what almost happened to the man who made suspicion that Oswald had served a federal agency part of official records nobody dared destroy.

any assessment and evaluation of the information of the federal agencies had on Oswald inevitably involves an assessment of these agencies. Much of the information I eventually obtained, after years of diligent effort the agencies sought to frustrate leaves it without question that they would do anything at all to prevent disclosure of what they kept secret from the Warren Commission and that to do this the name of their game is "control." This is the same game they played with the Commission, which was anything but diligent in seeking this information. In order to control, while they prefered avoiding outright lying — and they did that by diverting and misrepresenting and stonewalling — when they saw no alternative, they did lie.

I filed many Freedom of Information lawsuits to obtain the information I draw upon in this book and in all that litigation, extending over a period of two decades, there is not one case in which the agencies did not lie to the federal courts. In this, as they anticipated from much experience with the courts, the agencies were always immune.

If lying to the coults is under oath and is material in the litigation, the lying is a felony, perjury. Official perjury is commpnplaces in my FOIA litigation.

as an example, in Civil actions 78-0322 and 0420 combined, I sought the relevant information of the Dallas and New Orleans FBI field offices. Under the law compliance begins with a search for the requested information, that search to be made with due diligence and in good faith. As of the time of this writing, with the requests made first in 1977, the initial searches have not been made. (Despite this a great quantity of records were disclosed to me but these were records of the FBI's preference, not those it has responsive to my request.) In order to avoid the required searches and to stonewall me, as well, apparently, as to rewrite the law before a judge with a record of favoring the a FBI and, in the end, seek vengeance from me, the FBI did - knowingly and deliberately - lie. Despite its efforts I did obtain its own records that establish beyond question that it did lie and misrepresent andm making myself subject to perjury charges if I were not truthful, I charged it, with the felonies

(and its Department of Justice counsel

of perjury, fraud and misrepresentation. It did not make ever pro forma denial.

Not only did the CTA engage in the same felonious misconduct, it and the FBI quotually got put their heads together when they shared common interest to limit what they would let the Warren Commission know. This means to deceive and mislead the Commission, as both agencies did.

In the FBI tickler cited above, there is this item: "Sullivan relationshio with Angleton: pre-arranging of answers to Commission questions." William Sullivan was the FBI assistant direction inc charge of its domes ic intelligence division; James Jesus Angleton was the longtime head of CIA counterintelliegnce. Sullivan retired and Angleton was eased out during the Watergate scandals.

This ticklet also lists "Hoover instructions to agents bot to volunteer info. to WC." (sic) I published the CIA's identical instructions in the reprint of my third book, Photographic Whitewahs and there are many evidences of this as well as the of the FBI's instructions not to cooperate in both the Commission's files and ehat was disclosed to me in FOIA litigation.

In order to control the Commission and what it could know and decide there was extensive withhold, much but far from all indicated in this tickler which cites the withholding of a considerable amount of information relating to "swald, one of potential significance being "withholding of 'Oswald imposter' memo of 1960-1961," fear that Oswald's actual identification papers might fall into the hands of the USSR when he was there and be used by an imposter.

Hoover successfully opposed Chief Justice Earl Warren's appointment of his own man as the Commission's general counsel, in this tickler, "Hoover blocking chairs warren's choice for general counsel." One of the Commissions illegally classified executive session transcripts reflects that Gerald Ford was hoover's henchman in preventing the normal working of our system, the chairman's right to select his staff chief. Ford, then Eepublican leader in the House of Representatives, was one of five Republican Commission members appointed by the Democratic President Lyndon B. ohnson. Ford was later our first unelected President.

At the same poith this tickler describes Hoover's "relationship" with the

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Commission as an "adversary relationsip" and that he opposed creation of the Commission.

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That the FBI presumed — dared to prepare "dossiers" on the eminences appointed including to the Commission, from the chief justice of the United States, two Senatores and wto Congressmen will shock only those who are not familiar with the FBI's blackmail and leaked propaganda methods, methods much many prominent in our national life fedred. The FBI prepared dossiers on the Commission's staff twice, once when the Commission was organized and then as soon as its "eport was issued. It thus has on file and available for misuse dossiers on still another United States Senator and at least one judge as well as a number of lawyers who have become prominent.

(I assume that this is an original FBI record because by order of the court the FBI was forbidden to disclose any record originating with the Congress, which exempred itself from the provisions of the Freedom of Information law. Mark Allen and I had, separately, requested all the information the FBI disclosed to the House Select Committee on Assassination. Deteriorated health prevented my filing suit when as is its common practuse, the FBI deliberately violated the law. Allen did file suit and that judge ordered the FBI to comply with his request.)

(It is commonplace for the FBI to lie under oath to the federal courts with regard to ticklers. In my litigation its SA John N. Phillips, supervisor in XXX its FOIA unit, swore that the FBI preser ticklers are "rountinely" destroyed after a matter of days. He also described them under oath, as carbon copies of records in the main file only. None of this and much else to which he attested is truthful. The FBI requires its ticklers in many cases and it has JFK assassination ticklers more than two decades old. The various special agents file a wide assortment of information and notes in the ticklers, information not included in the main file and sometimes not included in any file. In politifal cases, and the assassinations are political cases, the FBI's ticklers include information kept at hand for purposes of defamationn. In the so-called "Long" tickler relating to the King incestigation of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it has records on me associating me with bank robbers. These reflect that in at least one field office I am included in not fewer than six bank robbery files when it had no connection of any kind or indirections with any bank robbery. Because of their content these ticklers, in disclosing the FBI's regular indulgence of abuses we once considered were the practise of the police agencies of authoritarian societies only, are seriously embarrassing to the FBI and it therefore practise the felony of perjury to withheld frustrate disclosure of them. The "sex dossiers" it prepared on those known as c"critics" of its investigation can be used only for blackmail or defamation. When in my field offices lawsuit the FBI was directed to disclose the information it has on the #critics," Phillips swore that